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EDITORIALS

PROGRAM OF THE NINTH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CRIMINAL LAW AND CRIMINOLOGY

The ninth annual meeting of the American Institute of Criminal Law and Criminology will convene on Monday afternoon, September 3rd, 1917, at 2 o'clock, in the Court of Appeals Room, Saratoga Springs, New York.

The Secretary's office in the Grand Union Hotel, will be open for registration and reception of members during the entire sessions.

FIRST SESSION

Monday, September 3rd, 2 P. M., in Court of Appeals Room.
Annual Address of the President, John P. Briscoe, of Maryland.
Report of Secretary, Edwin M. Abbott, of Pennsylvania.
Report of Treasurer, Bronson Winthrop, of New York.
Report of Executive Board, John H. Wigmore, of Illinois, Chairman.
Report of Committee on "Insanity and Criminal Responsibility," Edwin R. Keedy, of Pennsylvania, Chairman. Discussion.
Report of Committee on "Probation and Suspended Sentence," Herbert C. Parsons, Massachusetts.
Report of Committee on "Public Defender," Harry E. Smoot, of Illinois, Chairman.
Report of Committee on "Drugs and Crime," Francis Fisher Kane, of Pennsylvania, Chairman.
Report of Committee on "Classification and Definition of Crime," Ernest Freund, of Illinois, Chairman.
Report of Committee on "Modernization of Criminal Procedure," Robert W. Millar, of Illinois, Chairman.
Report of Society of Military Law, Henry W. Ballantine, of Illinois, Secretary.
Appointment of Committee on Nominations. 6:30—Annual dinner.

SECOND SESSION

Monday, September 3rd, 8:30 P. M., in Town Hall.
Annual Address, Thomas Mott Osborne, of New York, "Common Sense in Prison Management."
Report of Committee on "Crime and Immigration," Miss Kate Claghorn, of New York, Chairman. Discussion.
Report of Committee on "Sterilization of Criminals," Dr. William A. White, of Washington, D. C., Chairman. Discussion.

Report of Committee on "Indeterminate Sentence, Release on Parole and Pardon," Edward Lindsey, of Pennsylvania, Chairman.

DISCUSSION

THIRD SESSION

Tuesday, September 4th, 2. P. M., in Town Hall.

Report of Committee on "Criminal Statistics," John Koren, of Massachusetts, Chairman.

Report of Committee on "Teaching of Criminalistics in Universities and Colleges," Robert H. Gault, of Illinois, Chairman.

Report of Committee on "State Societies and New Memberships," Harry V. Osborne, of New Jersey, Chairman.

Report of Committee on "Promotion of Institute Measures," Frederic B. Crossley, of Illinois, Chairman. Discussion.

Report of Committee on "Publications," Robert H. Gault, of Illinois, Chairman.

Report of Committee on "Nominations." Election of Officers. Unfinished Business. New Business.

THE NEW YORK PSYCHIATRICAL SOCIETY *RE* CLINICAL
PSYCHOLOGISTS

Resolutions adopted by the New York Psychiatric Society on December 6, 1916, are published at p. 266. All students of psychology unquestioningly agree that in making their diagnoses they are liable to error. In this respect they are in the same class with psychiatrists and specialists in nervous disease. All reputable students of psychology, furthermore, agree that before their diagnoses may be considered as final they must have taken account of "somatic retardation, physical anomalies, and neural defects or diseases." Such students need no warning on these points and none are so clearly aware as they themselves are of the shortcomings of "testers," or so-called "clinical psychologists" who have enjoyed six weeks of training.

In our observation psychologists without medical training who practice regularly or occasionally in the courts, prisons, or in the schools are eager to co-operate with the medical profession. But the pity of it is that in many instances the medical men who are available for assistance at critical junctures are grossly ignorant at the very points at which their knowledge should be most useful to the psychologist, namely, in regard to the normal functions and the diseases of the brain and the nervous system in general. Thus sin may be